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| APPLICATION OF |) | |
| MARCO BUSCH ET AL |) | GROUP NO. 1652 |
| SERIAL NUMBER: 09/847,081 |) | EXAMINER: D. M. RAMIREZ |
| FILED: MAY 2, 2001 |) | |
| TITLE: METHOD OF FINDING |) | |
| MODULATORS OF ENZYMES OF |) | |
| THE CAROTENOID BIOSYNTHETIC |) | |
| PATHWAY |) | |

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(A)

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

Applicants, by the undersigned attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(A) to extend the time for filing their response so that the Amendment filed simultaneously with this Petition will be considered timely filed.

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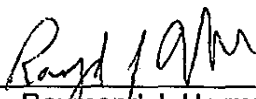
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